

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF COONAMBLE SHIRE COUNCIL  
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**PRESENT:** Cr Tim Horan, Mayor, in the Chair, with Crs. J. Canham, T. Cullen, B. O'Brien, M. Webb, D. Schieb and A. Karanouh.  
Also present were the General Manager, Mr. Griffiths, the Director of Corporate Services, Mr Warren, the Director of Engineering Services, Mr Brodbeck and Mrs Moorhouse.

**PRESENTATION BY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING – DRAFT LEP 2011**

The Regional Director of Planning, Ms Lois Gray and Planning Officer, Anna Patton presented the Draft LEP 2011 to Council. They explained that the Standard Instrument LEP was not moving fast enough and there is a need for all Councils to be on a common basis. The existing provisions of the 1997 LEP have been converted to the standard instrument format with the only the Coonamble township being altered to reflect residential, commercial and industrial zones. This process is to be completed by 30 June 2011 and council may, either after that date or during the current process, review the Land Use Strategy to address the shortcomings of the Western Council's Land Use document previously rejected by Council.

In order to rezone land in conjunction with the Standard Instrument it is necessary to have a comprehensive flood study completed and the officers advised Council that funding may be available through the Office of Water.

Mapping associated with the draft LEP were distributed and the departmental officers explained the majority of mapping requirements and their meaning.

The Mayor asked that an "aim" be included at 1.2 (2) to state that Council wished to make provision for the enhancement of the opportunity to retain the current population.

Cr Schieb stressed that rural properties sized 800 to 900 acres are among the most productive land in the Shire and larger properties are often under-utilised. This General Manager advised that this issue could not be considered, nor could the issue raised by the Mayor in respect of Large Lot Residential availability as they involved the review of the Land Use Strategy.

**8804 RESOLVED on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Canham that Council:**

- (1) Adopt the Planning Proposal for the Shire wide draft Coonamble principal LEP 2011, the draft Coonamble Local Environmental 2011 Plan (including the written instrument, Land Use Matrix and LEP Maps) and submit all of these documents to the Department of Planning and the Gateway (Minister for Planning or his delegate) for a determination;**

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- (2) Direct the General Manager to amend the Planning Proposal to remove discussion regarding the inclusion of sites recommended for rezoning from rural to urban purposes by the Western Council's Subregional Land Use Strategy and associated justification for their rezoning (due to the additional detail and time needed to obtain necessary flooding data) and to further clarify, that Council resolve to retain the existing zoning boundaries as per the current Coonamble Local Environmental Plan 1997.
- (3) Apply for Grant Funding to complete a flood study to allow for rezoning following the review of the Strategic Land Use Plan.

At this juncture, 10.40 a.m. Council adjourned for morning tea and resumed at 11.27 a.m. Department of Planning Officers were invited to partake morning tea with Councillors and Staff.

**2.0 ACKNOWLEDGE ORIGINAL OWNERS OF THE LAND**

The Mayor acknowledged the original owners of the land, both past and present.

**3.0 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

No persons were present at this time.

**4.0 APOLOGY**

Nil.

**5.0 DELEGATIONS**

No request was received from persons to address Council.

**6.0 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Nil.

**7.0 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

**8805 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Webb and O'Brien that the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of Coonamble Shire Council held on 13 October, 2010 and the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting of Coonamble Shire Council held on 25 October 2010, be confirmed.

**BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**(a) Australia Day Celebrations:**

Cr Karanouh advised he had been unsuccessful in attracting a community member to run the Celebrations. The General Manager advised the TAFE had shown interest but ultimately declined. The Mayor is to again mention in his column while the General Manager will continue to seek possible organizers of a simple celebration.

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- (b) **Newbold Transport – Purchase of Land at ‘The Meglo’:**  
The General Manager advised there had been no response to Council’s resolution 8756.
- (c) **SH18 – Culverts 39 & 40**  
Cr Schieb referred to no flow in Culvert 39 and Culvert 40 can not handle the flow on its own.

**8.00 RESOLUTION BOOK UPDATE**

**8806 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Webb and O’Brien that the Resolution Book Update be received and dealt with.

- (a) **Resolution 8538 – Portable Toilets**  
Cr Webb stated the response was insufficient without a report. The Mayor agreed and felt further investigation is warranted. The DES stated that the raw sewerage would be a problem at Quambone, as it is now but Septic Sam has the ability to pump the septic tank out.

**8807 RESOLVED** on the motion of Cullen and Webb that more information be provided and the potential ongoing costs associated therewith.

- (b) **Resolution 8694 – Garbage Collection Contractor**  
Mayor Horan questioned the new timetable and the recent delays in collection. The DES advised the truck had broken down and discussions had been held with businesses, schools and the hospital in respect of the number of bins and the number of collections per week.
- (c) **Resolution 8668 – River Gauges**  
Cr Schieb questioned the Warrena Creek gauge. The DES advised that a new gauge had been placed to allow reading from the levee bank and the old one decommissioned.
- (d) **Resolution 8404 – Risk Assessment, Council Footpaths**  
Mayor Horan questioned the progress of the assessment. The DES advised the risk assessment was underway.
- (e) **Resolution 7266 – Coonamble Railway Station Restoration and Reuse**  
Cr O’Brien congratulated staff on near completion of the Station. Concern was expressed at there being no proposed use at this time.

**8808 RESOLVED** on the motion of O’Brien and Webb that a report be presented to the next meeting on proposed uses and the progress in finding a tenant.

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**9.0 MAYOR'S ACTIVITY REPORT**

The Mayor reported on the following activities during the month:

- Visit to Sister City Campbelltown Council – presented Sculpture award; attended official luncheon; attended procession as part of the official party; took part in the Senior Citizen's afternoon tea.
- Coonamble Common Annual General Meeting – chaired a very amiable meeting.
- Federal Minister for Regional Development, Hon Simon Crean – Met with Minister Crean in respect of the Rodeo Arena and Railway Line. Council has two weeks to present a submission to the Minister.
- Coonamble Regional Livestock Market – Positive comments in respect of marketing promotion.
- Discussed crime and policing issues with the new Duty Officer for the southern sector of the Castlereagh Local Area Command. He will not be available until next year to attend meeting.

The Mayor reminded all Councillors of the Remembrance Day service at 11am 11 November at the cenotaph.

**8809 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Horan and Webb that the Mayor's Report be adopted.

**10.0 CORRESPONDENCE**

**8810 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. O'Brien and Karanouh that the Correspondence be received and dealt with.

**10.1 BATTERLINE EARTHMOVING PTY LTD G1-4 (33623)**

Referring to the Gulargambone transfer station and saying the facility is being used outside operating hours by members of the public. Asking Council to erect a man-proof fence around the perimeter to prevent this action continuing. Recommending that the fence be moved further out from the transfer station making the area inside larger as it currently is very difficult to manoeuvre trucks when transferring rubbish.

Council noted that the Director of Engineering Services advised the Contractor that no funds are available in this year's budget to carry out any fencing work.

**8811 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Webb that Council endorse the actions of the Director of Engineering Services in advising the Contractor that no funds are available in this budget to carry out the subject fencing.

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**10.2 NSW GOVERNMENT – NATIONAL YOUTH WEEK 2011 G5-9 (33624)**

Inviting Council to participate in Youth Week 2011 from Friday 1 to Sunday 10 April, 2011. Advising funding is available on a \$ for \$ basis as a contribution towards the cost and saying funding of \$1,230 is available to Council.

The General Manager informed the meeting that Youth Week Activities are normally organized by MPREC through the youth centres, however extreme difficulty has been experienced over the past few years having the grant funds acquitted, with last year's still outstanding. He said the problem has been raised with the CEO of MPREC.

**8812 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Webb that Council again approach MPREC to conduct Youth Week Activities utilizing grant funds available and Council's budgeted matching funds, stipulating that if acquittals are not received within one calendar month after the event no further participation will be forthcoming from this organization.

**10.3 ORANA REGIONAL ORGANISATION OF COUNCILS C13 (33628)**

Advising OROC is coordinating a financial awareness training course that is being delivered by Local Government Learning Solutions for **councillors** in the OROC region.

Advising the course will be offered to all OROC councillors on 1 February 2011 at Dubbo City Council from 9.00am until 4.00pm at a cost of \$330/person (incl GST) and includes morning tea and lunch. Pointing out the course caters for only 25 participants.

**10.4 DEPARTMENT OF PREMIER & CABINET (LOCAL GOVERNMENT)  
C13 (33652)**

Informing councils about the dates, locations and registration processes for the upcoming Councillor Information Seminars – Series II to be delivered by the Division of Local Government in November and early December 2010. Saying all councillors and general managers are invited to attend a seminar which are provided free of charge. Pointing out the seminars are focused on providing key information about current issues and designed to encourage group discussion and sharing of ideas.

The General Manager pointed out that a Seminar is scheduled for Gilgandra on Thursday 9 December, 2010 from 10.00am to 1.30pm at the Gilgandra Golf Club. Mr Griffiths strongly urged all councillors to attend both training opportunities.

**8813 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Webb that Councillors Karouh, Schieb, Webb, O'Brien and Cullen be nominated for the Training Session at Gilgandra (9 December 2010) and Crs O'Brien and Webb be nominated for the Training Session in Dubbo (1 February 2011).

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**10.5 'C' DIVISION SHIRES ASSOCIATION OF NSW S3-3 (33665)**

Advising the annual "C" Division Conference will be hosted by Warrumbungle Shire and held at Coonabarabran on Friday 11 February 2011. Saying an informal dinner will be held on the prior evening.

The General Manager drew attention to a letter included in the urgent business for today's meeting which advises the Conference has been deferred to a date after the Special Conference on the One Association Issue on 23 February 2011.

**8814 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs O'Brien and Karanouh that motions for the C Division Conference be formulated at this and the December Meeting.

**10.6 ELAINE ANFORTH, GULARGAMBONE G1-4 (33667)**

Advising she thinks Council's decision to cancel the recycling service was premature in that no prior notice had been given nor were residents notified for consideration of the decision. Requesting that Council re-address this topic and resume the collection of recyclables.

Councillors noted that the Director of Engineering Services has responded to Ms Anforth advising that, because of repeated contamination in Gulargambone, Council had no option but to cease the operation. It was also noted that the Director pointed out to Ms Anforth that the local contractor had advised that it was no longer an economically viable service.

The DES also informed Council that the cost of recovering the bins with a yellow lid would be greater than their worth and residents should be informed they may be used for general garbage noting only one bin can be collected.

**8815 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. O'Brien and Karanouh that Council notes the contents of Ms Anforth's letter and endorse the Director's action in providing a response.

**10.7 TAFE COONAMBLE CAMPUS D7 (33703)**

Saying in the past Council has generously supported TAFE Western Coonamble Campus in providing the award for the Most Outstanding Student for Business Administration and Information Technology. Seeking Council's support for the 2010 year.

**8816 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and O'Brien that Council agree to again support TAFE and supply an appropriate award for presentation to the Most Outstanding Student in Business Administration and Information Technology and that the funds be provided from the donations allocation.

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**10.8 COONAMBLE SENIOR CITIZENS ASSOCIATION D7 (33697)**

Advising that Seniors Week will be held from Monday 21 to Friday 25 March 2011 and seeking a contribution of \$300 to assist with morning tea (21 March and lunch (23 March). Saying Council's assistance in the past has been greatly appreciated.

The General Manager informed the meeting that Council has provided funds towards Seniors Week in previous years, with the contribution last year being \$200. He said the Director of Corporate Services has submitted an application on behalf of the Coonamble Association for grant funding, however it is not known when the outcome will be announced.

**8817 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Karanouh and O'Brien that Council agree to contribute \$300 to the Coonamble Senior Citizens Association towards morning tea and luncheon during Seniors Week 2011 and funding be sourced from the donations vote.

**10.9 COMMISSIONER, NSW RURAL FIRE SERVICE B13 (33706)**

Referring to a series of local government forums being held across the State to address issue of mutual interest and extending an invitation to Mayors and General Managers to attend.

Council noted the forum in Dubbo is scheduled for Friday 19 November, 2010 from 10 am. to 3 pm at the Dubbo Fire Control Centre and RSVPs are required by Friday 12 November.

**8818 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. O'Brien and Karanouh that Council note the Forum and authorise attendance by the Mayor and General Manager (or their nominees) if available.

**10.10 THE HON JODI McKAY, MINISTER FOR WOMEN G5-32 (33712)**

Advising that on March 8 each year International Women's Day (IWD) is celebrated around the World and 2011 is its centenary. Offering grants of up to \$1,000 + GST to Councils to celebrate the day. Saying the 2011 theme is *International Women's Day : Celebrating 100 Years* and encouraging Council to adopt this theme. Advising that applications for funding close on 3 December 2010.

The General Manager reported that in 2009 Council decided to split the \$1,000 between Coonamble and Gulargambone which resulted in the Coonamble RTC declining to facilitate an event in Coonamble due to lack of funds. He said the total grant amount was given to Gulargambone.

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**8819 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. O'Brien and Karanouh that Expressions of Interest be advertised for the conduct of International Women's Day Celebrations in Coonamble utilizing the full \$1,000 but should there be no interest, Gulargambone Memorial Hall Committee will organise at Gulargambone.

**10.11 OCHRE HEALTH M5-1 (33739)**

Referring to Council's offer to provide accommodation for medical practitioners and listing repairs/renovations identified by Dr Nihal Pathirana as requiring attention at 47 Yarran Street. Advising Ochre is offering to pay \$100/week for each of the two residences, commencing 2 August, 2010 and pointing out that rental is to be used towards refurbishment of the dwellings.

The General Manager pointed out that the Manager – Services estimates \$18,500 would be required to address issues identified.

**8820 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and O'Brien that the offer of \$100 per week for each house be accepted from Ochre Health but the issues identified in the letter be only funded to 50% for each Ochre Health and Council.

Cr O'Brien suggested that the Yalcogrin Street house be advertised on the Internet.

**10.12 INDOOR EMPLOYEES CHRISTMAS PARTY D7 (33736)**

Advising this year's party will be held on Friday 10 December at the Coonamble Golf Club. Requesting that Council, in accordance with past practice, contribute an amount of \$300 towards food and venue fees. Also inviting Councillors to the party.

**8821 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. O'Brien and Karanouh that Council contribute to the Indoor Employees' Christmas Party and authorise a \$300 donation from the donations vote.

**10.13 GULARGAMBONE PRESCHOOL INC D7 (33758)**

Advising the Preschool is conducting an end of year raffle as part of Term 4 fundraising and saying it will purchase a portable DVD player as first prize. Seeking donations to go towards second and third prizes and requesting Council to donate either a gift voucher or an item to be included in the "Monster Christmas Raffle". Advising that funds raised will be used to purchase a new air conditioner for the centre.

The General Manager pointed out that every year Council receives a request from Gulargambone PreSchool to provide a contribution towards its Christmas Lights Competition and obliges.

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**8822 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Canham that Council not contribute towards the Gulargambone PreSchool "Monster Christmas Raffle".

**10.14 COONAMBLE STREETS AHEAD COMMITTEE R8-10 (33761)**

Advising it is organizing the annual Christmas Party on Thursday 16 December 2010 and requesting closure of Castlereagh Street from the Peace Tree to Aberford Street intersection. Pointing out the Committee requires the street blocked off from 5.30pm to 9.30pm.

**8823 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Cullen that Council agree to the closure of Castlereagh Street, between the Peace Tree and the Aberford Street intersection, on Thursday 16 December for the annual Christmas Party between 5.30pm and 9.30pm, subject to the Committee obtaining approval from the local police.

**10.15 RESOURCE STRATEGIES PTY LTD G1 (33694)**

Referring to the Cowal Gold Project Transport of Hazardous Materials Study and seeking comments in relation to the proposed transport route for sodium cyanide through Coonamble LGA. Advising the Cowal Gold Mine is located approximately 38kms north-west of West Wyalong.

A copy of this correspondence was included in the business paper.

The General Manager informed the meeting that the Director of Engineering Services and he developed a proposal whereby the hazardous material should be transported via the Newell Highway due to the lack of emergency services and the need to travel past schools and hospitals, etc.

**8824 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Karanouh and O'Brien that Council endorse the action of the Director of Engineering Services in suggesting that the hazardous material be transported via the Newell Highway due to the lack of emergency services and the requirement to travel past schools, hospitals, etc.

**10.16 INDEPENDENT PRICING & REGULATORY TRIBUNAL (IPART) R8-21-2 (33713)**

Advising it has released the draft report and draft determination on prices for the Water Administration Ministerial Corporation's (WAMC) monopoly services for period 1 July 2011 – 30 June 2014. Pointing out that water users affected by the draft determination include irrigators, environmental water holders, mines and other industry, bulk water suppliers and the local councils and water utilities that supply drinking water to cities and towns. Inviting Council to provide a submission by 29 November 2010 and saying IPART will release its Final Report

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and final prices in February 2011 and new prices will take effect from 1 July 2011.

A copy of the draft determination was attached to the business paper. Councillors noted that further information is available from <http://www.ipart.nsw.gov.au/water/water.asp>)

**8825 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Webb that Council note the information and not make a submission to the Draft Report and Draft Determination.

**Section B – Information**

**10.17 LOCAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS COMMISSION G5-1 (33634)**

Advising that the Commission has approved recommendations for the 2010/2011 financial assistance grants and the estimated entitlement for Council is \$2,973,117. consisting of two components:

- A general purpose component of: \$1,734,120
- A local roads component of: \$1,238,997.

Pointing out the local roads component comprises of a population and local road length formula amount of \$1,182,099 and a bridge length formula amount of \$56,898.

The General Manager pointed out this is an estimate only and said last year Council received \$2,808,254, consisting of two components:

- A general purpose component \$1,640,906
- A local roads component \$1,167,348.

**10.18 GULARGAMBONE WAR MEMORIAL MECHANICS INSTITUTE HALL C6-12-1 (33621)**

Forwarding copy of Minutes of Annual General Meeting held in September, together with Financial Report and minutes of ordinary meeting in September.

The General Manager said these documents are included with the business paper, pointing out the Gulargambone War Memorial Mechanics Institute Hall Committee is a S355 Committee of Council and is required to provide this information.

**10.19 THE HON STEVE WHAN MP, MINISTER FOR EMERGENCY SERVICES E4 (33625)**

Referring to arrangements under which local government provides the NSW Government with information about damage to public infrastructure following significant natural disasters. Advising that Emergency Management NSW (EMNW) and NSW Treasury have improved the arrangements for coordinating this information. Saying the Australian Government's *Natural Disaster Relief*

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*and Recovery Arrangements – Determination 2007* sets out when councils can seek reimbursement for the cost of repairing damaged public infrastructure.

**10.20 NSW POLICE – CASTLEREAGH LOCAL AREA COMMAND P5  
(33683)**

Forwarding copies of media releases. The various releases were included for Councillors' information.

**10.21 COORDINATOR, MOORAMBILLA FESTIVAL 2010 D5-6 (33693)**

Acknowledging receipt of Council's letter concerning the condition of St Pat's Hall and Supper Room following use by members of Moorambilla. Apologising to for any negativity against Council which may have arisen. Saying she has spoken to the cleaner and also advising Michelle has made every effort to rectify the situation. Conveying apologies and saying if Moorambilla is held in Coonamble in 2011 the Committee will make every effort to avoid a similar situation.

**10.22 THE HON JUSTICE R O BLANCH, CHIEF JUDGE C8 (33696)**

Responding to Council's letter regarding a proposal to close District Court Sittings at Coonamble. Advising some time ago he did make enquiries as to the feasibility of not continuing to sit the Court at Coonamble, but resulting from those enquiries has decided sittings should continue. Pointing out that one of reasons for concern was the fact that very often sufficient citizens do not answer their jury summonses. Saying any encouragement Council can give to the citizens to perform their public duty would be appreciated.

**10.23 COONAMBLE GREYHOUND RACING CLUB INC D7 (33699)**

Thanking Council for sponsoring a race over the October Carnival and advising the race over 301 metres was won by "Macey" (owned and trained by Rhonda Millsteed of Coonamble). Saying "Macey" started from Box 8 and completed the distance in a time of 17.28. Looking forward to Council's continued support in 2011.

**10.24 OFFICE OF MINISTER FOR POLICE P5 (33772)**

Acknowledging Council's correspondence and saying matters raised have been noted and are presently receiving attention.

**10.25 KATHY PICKERING L3 (33718)**

Commenting on the actions of Council employees Icy Canham, Wally Hume and Terry Lees who assisted in traffic control during the funeral procession of Wayne McDermott recently. Pointing out it was a big funeral with approximately six prime movers included in the procession and saying serious problems could have arisen especially at the intersection of Castlereagh and Aberford Streets. Saying she was impressed by the actions of Council staff who all stood respectfully, stopping passing traffic to enable free flow of the funeral procession so that public safety was not compromised.

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Councillors noted that the employees mentioned have been provided with a copy of the letter.

**10.26 NSW DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING E5-2 (33759)**

Noting Council's acceptance of the Department's offer to assist in the preparation of Coonamble LEP in the Standard Instrument format and saying it is understood the process is well underway. Advising the Department is committed to assisting Council to complete the LEP by 30 June 2011.

**10.27 SENATOR THE HON JOE LUDWIG C8 (33760)**

Advising that the Rural Financial Counselling Service NSW Central West, which employs the Coonamble-based counsellor, recently assessed client numbers and found that the number of clients in the Coonamble area was too low to sustain a full time counsellor. Pointing out that Central West agreed to restore the position to full-time if client numbers increased over the longer term – understanding that this occurred on 1 October 2010.

**10.28 NSW DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH M5 (33775)**

Thanking Council for its submission in response to the Local Health Network Discussion Paper – *Health Reform in NSW*.

A copy of this letter was included with the business paper.

**10.29 CROWN LANDS DUBBO R4 (33716)**

Referring to Aboriginal Land Claim 6707 which was lodged on 28 May 2002 in respect of Lot 823 DP40479 formerly Conditional Lease 30687 and Lot 7001 DP 96348 Reserve for Travelling Stock 24829. Advising that the Minister determined that when the claim was made the land was not claimable Crown land within the meaning of the Aboriginal Land Rights Act 1983 – consequently the claim has been refused.

The General Manager informed Council that the claim referred to a section of land adjacent to the property "Quanda" on the Tooraweenah Road.

**10.30 NSW DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY & INVESTMENT T4-2 (33746)**

Advising that the Agricultural Land Use Planning Team within Industry & Investment has provided land use planning and agricultural advice to consent authorities, consultants and applicants over a long period. Informing of changed priorities and new guidelines which have been developed and providing an overview of current operating environment and focus. Pointing out guidelines are available from the I&I NSW land use planning and development web portal: <http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/environment/landuse-planning/agriculture>

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**8826 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Webb and Karanouh that the information contained in Item Nos.10.17 – 10.30 be received and noted.

**URGENT BUSINESS – SUPPLEMENTARY PRECIS OF CORRESPONDENCE**

**8827 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Webb and Canham that the following items be classified “urgent business” and dealt with.

**10.31 TWO EIGHT TWO EIGHT COMMITTEE D7 (33793)**

Advising that two eight two eight is a finalist at this year’s NSW Tourism Awards which is great for Gulargambone and the Shire. Saying that a few volunteers will be attending the Awards Gala Dinner which is at Rosehill Racecourse on Friday 19 November. Stating that tickets cost \$195/person and asking if Council would consider making a contribution towards her cost.

**8828 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Schieb that Council contribute \$250 towards attendance by 2828 delegates at the Tourism Awards Dinner.

**10.32 PETITION SIGNED BY 17 RESIDENTS OF BROAD STREET  
PR1414 (33831)**

Requesting Council to investigate what can be done regarding disturbance emanating from No 17 Broad Street. Saying loud music is played day and night causing nuisance to residents who live in the area. Advising Police have been informed on numerous occasions. Asking if Council could impose fines on the offenders who reside in a Housing Commission dwelling.

The General Manager informed the meeting that Council’s noise measuring device is quite old and needs calibration which will cost in the vicinity of \$2,500. He said that in order to enforce this particular issue Council would need to recall the Manager - Environmental Services to duty in the evening to witness any breaching of the Regulations. The General Manager expressed extreme concern in having the Manager attend such premise alone and Police presence would be required.

Mr Griffiths said that regulations for noise control were recently amended, with the new guidelines being received only last week and a review of requirements is being undertaken.

**8829 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Cullen and Schieb that Council refer the matter to the local Police, with a copy to the Local Area Commander, and advise the residents accordingly.

Later in the meeting the Manager of Environmental Services conveyed the content of the new noise control guidelines to Council and the preference that these matters be attended to by Police.

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**10.33 ROADS & TRAFFIC AUTHORITY, PARKES R8-6-2+SH18  
(33791)**

Referring to Council's letter concerning section of the Castlereagh Highway south of Coonamble and saying funding will be provided under the Road Maintenance Council Contract to undertake maintenance works at the locations of culverts 39 and 40 in the current financial year. Advising the scope of works and stating that given the extremely flat nature of the topography in the flood plain it is considered that further upgrading of the existing culverts would be ineffective in terms of flood mitigation and would not address the issue of water ponding on the western side of the highway during flooding or heavy storm events. Pointing out that engineering staff from the RTA are happy to work closely with Council to further refine the proposed scope of works to ensure a cost effective maintenance treatment.

Cr Schieb reiterated culvert 39 does not run water and causeways need to be replaced. The DES advised the flat topography and build up of vegetation is the problem and can only be attended to by Council when RTA authorises.

**8830 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Webb and Canham that Council note the proposed works that have resulted from Council's representations on the identified section of highway.

**10.34 'C' DIVISION SHIRES ASSOCIATION OF NSW S3-3 (33790)**

Referring to the recent letter regarding the Annual Conference in February and pointing out it would be more beneficial to have the divisional meeting after the Special Shires Association planned for 23 February 2011 and hold it prior to the Annual Conference in June 2011. Saying this would give "C" Division Councils the opportunity to consider the outcomes of the special conference and provide input at the annual conference. Stating the "C" Division Conference on 11 February 2011 has been cancelled and an amended date will be advised sometime after the Special Shires Conference on 23 February 2011.

**8831 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Cullen and Webb that Council note the deferral of "C" Division Shires Conference.

**10.35 CARAVAN & CAMPING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION NSW C2 (33794)**

Pointing out that some Councils are offering sites (such a showgrounds or other Crown/Council land) for regular overnight camping which are not subject to the required planning processes or do not comply with the Local Government (Manufactured Home Estates, Caravan Parks, Camping Grounds and Moveable Dwellings) Regulation 2005 and, therefore deemed to be illegal. Saying illegal camping operations provide unfair competition and threaten the viability of legitimate caravan parks. Pointing out their Association supports the position

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articulated by the government/industry working group and thanking Council for considering this letter.

The General Manager reported that Council took issue with the request to become a "RV Friendly Town" for the very issues raised in this correspondence. He said whilst Council's request for action by the Government departments responsible was almost three years ago, it is pleasing that the issue has finally been determined.

**8832 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Webb that Council note the information contained in this letter.

**10.36 ROADS AND TRAFFIC AUTHORITY – PARKES C2-2 (33785)**

Referring to correspondence from Mrs Doreen Best seeking permission, on behalf of the Gulargambone Caravan Park, to install a sign on State Highway 18 advertising the facility. Saying the RTA does not permit signage designed to promote any particular accommodation provider or as a means of the accommodation industry to generate additional visitation. Advising that a site inspection shows two standard fingerboards have been installed at the intersection of SH18 and Bourbah Street showing the locality of the facility. Pointing out if the applicant desires to have the facility endorsed as a tourist location application should be made, via Council, to the Tourist Attraction Signposting Assessment Committee.

The Director of Engineering Services has forwarded this response to Mrs Best.

**8833 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and O'Brien that Council note the policy of the RTA in not permitting signage designed to promote any particular accommodation provider or as a means of the accommodation industry to generate additional visitation.

**10.37 NSW POLICE FORCE – WESTERN REGION PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS UNIT P5 (33783)**

Acknowledging Council's correspondence of 22 October and saying Supt Bob Noble has advised he attended Council with a view to resolving issues and understanding this meeting was very productive. Encouraging Council to contact Supt Noble to discuss any concerns that may arise in the future in relation to policing in Coonamble Shire. Stating the NSW Police Force is committed to reducing localised "crime and fear" and looking forward to continuing to work with Council and all key stakeholders to meet this objective.

Cr Cullen stated that Council should consider the discussions productive when there are no complaints. Disappointment was the general feeling that no progress is being made on diminishing crime statistics.

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**8834 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. that Council note that the issues raised are no longer the subject of investigation.

**16.0 REPORT BY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MANAGER**

**RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. O'Brien and Webb that the report by the EDM be received and dealt with.

Ms O'Connor briefly mentioned the following matters listed in her report:

- OROC trial solar project – Country Energy are keen – could be included into Indoor Arena project or as a 'farm' at Gulargambone..
- Inland Rail – mentioned to Minister Crean.
- UNSW students – here 22 November.
- Chamber of Commerce – General Manager expressed concern that it would again be seen as Council driven. Claimed that there would be no Christmas promotion without ED budget and support for initial period only.
- Eco Spa – should have information by the end of the week. Cr Schieb suggested just heat water by solar – thence no bore required.
- Business Awards – now 18 November 2010 at Golf Club.
- Museum – Open day 9/4/11.
- Railway Station – fencing to be erected around building. ARTC still to make lease available.
- Crime Prevention – safe house funding plans sketchy. When Plan approved who will drive. Reinstate Crime Prevention Officer back into Plan.

**8835 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs O'brien and Canham that the Crime Prevention Plan be amended to include a Part Time Crime Prevention Officer.

**16.1 MINUTES OF MEETING OF COONAMBLE EMPLOYMENT CIRCLE  
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**8836 RESOLVED** on the motion of Webb and Canham that the Minutes of the Coonamble Employment Circle be noted.

**16.2 REPORT ON COONAMBLE REGIONAL LIVESTOCK MARKET  
BUSINESS & MARKETING PLAN**

**8837 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Cullen and Schieb that Council:

- (a) Adopt the Consultants Marketing Plan with the committed \$15,000 to be used to implement the action plan as included in the report;
- (b) Adopt the Consultants Business Plan with the action plan to be implemented by the appropriate officers.

At this juncture, 1.10 pm the Mayor adjourned the meeting for luncheon.

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The meeting recommenced at 1.47pm

**17.0 REPORT BY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT MANAGER**

**8838 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and Webb that the report by the Tourism Development Manager be received and dealt with.

At this juncture the Tourism Development Manager was at the meeting to present his report.

The Mayor questioned the level of service at the Coonamble VIC. Mr Baldwin stated he had also received complaints/comments and would address the issue.

Mr Baldwin stated that there is a proposal for Central NSW Tourism to amalgamate with other similar bodies and the new area will comprise about two-thirds of NSW. A meeting is proposed to consider the issue which he has some concerns with.

The Coonamble pad maps are due in about a week and Art works have been delivered to Campbelltown for the Art Prize.

The restructuring of Outback Arts is almost complete with interviews recently held for the vacant positions. He is also assisting with Web Page.

Councillor O'Brien congratulated the TDM on the Gulargambone Brochure.

**8839 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Webb and O'Brien that Council adopt the report of the Tourism Development Manager for the month of October 2010.

**17.1 PRIMITIVE CAMPGROUND – QUAMBONE**

The Tourism Development Manager stated the following the tabling of a detailed report to the October 2009 meeting of Council the Tourism Development Manager was asked to prepare more detailed costings of the proposed primitive campground at Quambone. This follows the increase in demand for such facilities across NSW and a request from the Quambone Community. The growth of the self-contained traveller market and the propensity to 'camp' rather than use commercial accommodation has driven the demand for this type of facility. In the last year Walgett Shire has approved and developed a site in Walgett and Narrabri Shire has developed sites in Pilliga, Gwabegar & Yarrie Lake.

The proposed site is located behind the Swimming Pool and the Tennis Courts on the sportsground and surrounds. The location already contains water and a toilet block (within the tennis clubhouse). There is no obligation to provide

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showers at a primitive camp site. Bins also are not essential as travellers should be encouraged to take their rubbish with them. The site is slashed already but would require more regular slashing. Waste bins and water are already available at the site.

The self-contained traveller is attracted to primitive camping grounds for their rudimentary condition and does not require sealed roads, barbecues, washing machines, hot water, clothes driers etc, that are provided at camping grounds or caravan parks.

**8840 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Webb and O'Brien that Council agree to establish a 'primitive campground at Quambone and allocate funds from the surplus.

At this juncture, 2.25 pm the TDM left the meeting.

**11.0 REPORT BY GENERAL MANAGER**

**8841 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Webb and Karanouh that the report submitted by the General Manager be received and dealt with.

**11.1 DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS DETERMINED UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY**

**8842 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs webb and Karanouh that Council note no Development Applications or Complying Development Applications were approved under delegated authority since the last Council meeting.

**11.2 JANUARY COUNCIL MEETING**

The General Manager stated a number of people, including some councillors and staff, take holidays in January and with the general shut-down of a lot of suppliers and the like, it is always a quiet period with not a great deal for Council to attend to, with other professionals – such as solicitors – normally being inactive.

**8843 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Webb that Council not hold an ordinary monthly meeting in January 2011, noting the first meeting for the New Year be held on Wednesday, 9 February 2011.

**11.3 PROPOSED CLOSURE OF OFFICE – CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR PERIOD**

The General Manager advised it has been Council policy in the past to close the Office between Christmas and New Year. These days have been granted in recognition of indoor staff working unpaid overtime during the year. This year Christmas Day falls on a Saturday and the holiday period concludes on Monday

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3 January 2011 (inclusive), with staff returning to work Tuesday 4 January - the time involved is four public holidays.

**8844 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Karanouh and O'Brien that Council agree to give staff the extra time off in lieu of unpaid overtime and that the Office close from 5.00 p.m. Friday, 24 December 2010, re-opening 8.30 a.m. Tuesday, 4 January 2011.

#### **11.4 WATER RATES FOR SPORTING BODIES**

The General Manager advised that at its meeting on 8 November 2006 (Minute No. 5802) Council resolved that up to \$1,000 per annum be contributed towards the cost of water for the Coonamble Jockey Club, Coonamble Golf Club and Gulargambone Golf Club to assist with each Club's water charges and this arrangement be reviewed annually.

**8845 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Canham and Karanouh that Council make a contribution of up to \$1,000 each to the Coonamble Jockey Club, the Coonamble Golf Club and Gulargambone Golf Club to assist with water charges and a review be presented to Council at the November 2011 meeting.

#### **11.5 POLICY FOR PAYMENT OF EXPENSES AND THE PROVISION OF FACILITIES TO MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS**

In accordance with s252 clause (1) of the Local Government Act 1993 (*Payment of expenses and provision of facilities*) Council, at the October meeting, noted its policy for payment of expenses incurred or to be incurred by and the provision of facilities to the mayor, the deputy mayor and other councillors in relation to discharging the functions of civic office.

At the October 2010 meeting Council resolved to place the Policy for Payment of Expenses and the Provision of Facilities to Mayor and Councillors on public exhibition for the prescribed 28 day period, closing on 9 November, 2010. At the time of writing this report, no submission or comment has been received.

**8846 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Karanouh and Webb that Council formally adopt the Policy for Payment of Expenses and the Provision of Facilities for Mayors and Councillors, noting that no submissions have been received.

#### **11.6 STANDARD INSTRUMENT LEP**

This item was dealt with during the presentation by Department of Planning officers at the commencement of the meeting.

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**12.0 REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES**

**8847 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs O'Brien and Webb that the report by the Director of Corporate Services be received and dealt with.

**12.1 RATE COLLECTIONS**

**8848 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Webb and Karanouh that the Total Combined Rate Collections to 30 September 2010 be noted.

**12.2 LIST OF INVESTMENTS**

**8849 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. O'Brien and Schieb that that the Investments held at 31 October 2010 be noted and it also be noted that Council's Investments comply with s625(2) of the Local Government Act 1993 and Council's Investment Policy.

**12.3 RESERVES – 30/9/2010**

**8850 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. O'Brien and Webb that Council note the amounts held in various Reserves as at 30 September 2010.

**12.4 OVERTIME REPORT – PERIOD 1/7/2010 – 30/9/2010**

Discussion ensued on the Quarry overtime and material available for sale to the public and use by Council. The suggestion that the Quarry should operate 7 days a week was refuted as disadvantaging the employees, placing them at risk of health problems and insufficient alternative employees being available.

Problems with the mobile crushing plant contractor were highlighted and the action taken to ensure material conforms with standards.

**8851 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs O'Brien and Webb that the Overtime Report for period 1 July 2010 to 30 September 2010 be noted.

**12.5 RATE CERTIFICATE AT LEVY 2010/2011**

The Director of Corporate Services advised that 2010/2011 rate notices were levied according to the minimums and cents in the dollar adopted for each rate category at a meeting on 9 June 2010 and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act.

The rates levied as shown on the Rate Certificate at Levy 2010/2011 have been brought to account and the valuation figures upon which the rates have been levied have been checked with the valuations determined by Council from the total of the General Valuation.

The list of non-rateable properties referred to on the Certificate have been examined and certified that such properties are exempt by or have been exempted by the Council under the provisions of the Act.

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**8852 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Karanouh and O'Brien that Council note the Rate Certificate at Levy for 2010/2011 and authorise the affixing of the Common Seal of Council.

**12.6 FINAL RATE CERTIFICATE FOR YEAR 2009/2010**

The Director of Corporate services stated the 2009/2010 rate notices were levied according to the minimums and cents in the dollar adopted for each rate category at a meeting on 10 June 2009 and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 1993.

The rates levied as shown on the Final Rate Certificate for the year 2009/2010 have been brought to account and the valuation figures upon which the rates have been levied have been checked with the valuations determined by Council from the total of the General Valuation.

The list of non-rateable properties referred to on the Certificate have been examined and certified that such properties are exempt by or have been exempted by the Council under the provisions of the Act.

**8853 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Karanouh and O'Brien that Council note the Final Rate Certificate for the Year 2009/2010 and authorise the affixing of the Common Seal.

**12.7 LIBRARY OPERATION EXPENSES 2007/2008 - 2009/2010 FINANCIAL YEARS**

The Director of Corporate Services stated that Council recently asked for a report in regard to the operations of the Library Service at Gulargambone. The report incorporates both Coonamble and Quambone Library operations for the 2009/2010 financial year, with comparisons over 3 years.

Mayor Horan suggestions options of operating libraries more cost efficiently needed to be examined and asked if the Quambone School could operate it in that centre.

**8854 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Schieb and Karanouh that options relating to the operation of the Library service Quambone be investigated.

**13.0 REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES**

**8855 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Webb and O'Brien that the report by the Director of Engineering Services be received and dealt with.

**13.1 WARRENA CREEK WEIR**

The Director of Engineering Services Advised following several 'on site' meetings with representatives from the Central West Catchment Management Authority,

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advice has been received confirming the Authority's preparedness to contribute towards funding the earthworks to remediate the eroded headcut (bank) on the north side of the weir.

Council has repaired the weir wall but much more substantial work is required to remediate the eroded floodway which has been damaged by flooding over the past few years.

The scope of works is as follows:

1. Utilise existing material from the site and borrow from the wheat bunker site to backfill the scoured area adjacent to the north side of the weir.
2. Use rock fill from the quarry to create a spillway and to allow the water to drop from sill height to bed level.
3. Extend several rock walls within the overflow stream bed to stabilize the site.
4. Re-vegetate after the site is stabilized.

**8856 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Cullen and Webb that Council advise the CMA it will allocate \$30,900 towards the cost of repairing the scoured area of the Warrena Weir and that further funds may be included in the 2011/2012 budget to complete the works and remediation of the area.

### **13.2 COONAMBLE SEWAGE TREATMENT PLANT**

The Director of Engineering Services advised that the installation of walkways and rails at the Coonamble Sewage Treatment Plant has been raised as a safety issue and a quote has been received to complete Stage 1 of the works. The project involves the erection of walkways and railing in the area of the humus and sedimentation pits to prevent operators from slipping and falling into the pits during daily maintenance works.

Stage 2 will be manufacture and erection of stairs and walkways to access and maintain the trickling filters.

**8857 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Karanouh and O'Brien that Council proceed with the erection of walkways and rails at the Coonamble Sewage Treatment Plant and additional funds be allocated from Sewer Fund Reserves.

### **13.3 WORKS IN PROGRESS**

1. State Highway 18 – Heavy patching, edge patching and sign maintenance in progress.

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2. Regional Roads – Nos 383, 202, 129B, 129Q & 7515:
  - a. Heavy patching is in progress on RR383, RR129Q, RR129B & RR7515.
  - b. Slashing is in progress on RR129Q and has been completed on RR7515.
  - c. Emergency repairs on RR832 at “Floddenfield” will be completed as conditions permit.
  
3. Local Roads and Streets:
  - a. Pothole patching has been completed or is in progress on all urban streets and sealed roads including SR86, SR19, SR2 & SR87.
  - b. Saturated sub-base has required heavy patching to commence on SR86 with works required on the other sealed roads.
  - c. Grading has been undertaken on the following Shire Roads, with gravel patching of causeways to be completed as conditions permit – SR14, SR19, SR44, SR93, SR17b, SR30, SR17a, SR29b, SR133, SR119, SR38, SR46, SR3, SR6, SR129, SR29, SR68, SR101, SR26, SR77, SR78, SR152, SR53, SR148, SR47, SR40, SR21, SR33, SR136, SR1, SR109, SR10, SR100, SR7, SR54, SR57, SR86, SR138, SR135, SR41, SR134, SR60, SR14, SR202, SR83, SR14, SR60, SR153, SR52, SR12, SR37, SR36 & SR123.
  
4. Parks and Reserves:
  - a. Mowing and slashing has been completed and is continuing as required on all sporting grounds, streets, verges and reserves.
  - b. Lack of contractors available to carry out these works has resulted in many areas becoming overgrown. A similar situation has occurred on the local road network.
  - c. Works are progressing on the foundations at the campdraft cattle yards.
  - d. The old bar and portion of the sheep yards at the Showground has been demolished.

Cr Schieb referred to mowing being required on Walgett Road within the 90klm zone and the need to make the new Industrial Estate presentable. Mayor Horan stated that the slashing of the highway appeared to be in progress today.

**8858 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs O'Brien and Webb that Council note the information.

**14. MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW AND QUARTERLY BUDGET  
REVIEW TO 30 SEPTEMBER 2010**

The Director of Corporate Services reported that in accordance with Section 407 of the Local Government Act 1993 and Section 203 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 the General Manager must report to Council within

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two months of the end of each quarter the extent to which the performance targets of Council, set by the Management Plan, have been achieved and submit a review of the estimates of income and expenditure for Council's consideration – (attached).

He stated that Integrated Planning and Reporting requirements mean that this Council must conform by 30 June 2012. This will involve a ten year strategic plan and four year delivery plan. A proposed timetable will be reported to Council at a later time.

Cr Cullen commented on the Saleyards figures actual/budgeted for both the 2009 and 2010 years to date and the DCS conveyed the starting and finishing results.

Cr Schieb stated that more efficient work methods were required – four men were needed to erect one sign near the Castlereagh River bridge.

**8859 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Webb and Cullen that Council:

- (1) Note the Management Plan Review;
- (2) Approve the variations to votes as listed in the budget review documents;
- (3) Note that in the opinion of the responsible accounting officer, Council is in a satisfactory financial position;
- (4) Note the position of Council's estimated Reserves at 30 September 2010.

**15.0 REPORTS FROM VARIOUS COMMITTEES**

**8860 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Schieb and O'Brien that the reports from various committees be received and dealt with.

**15.1 NORTH WEST LIBRARY SERVICE – 19 OCTOBER 2010**

**8861 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and O'Brien that Council:

1. Note the information pertaining to the Annual General Meeting minutes of the North West Library Service meeting held on 19 October, 2010.
2. Adopt the contribution of \$41,000 for the North Western Library Service and this amount be incorporated into the 2011/12 Budget.

**15.2 AFTER SCHOOL CARE (Vacation Care) MEETING MINUTES,  
WEDNESDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2010**

**8862 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and O'Brien that the minutes of the After School Care (Vacation Care) held 6 October 2010 be received and noted.



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**15.3 COONAMBLE STREETS AHEAD COMMITTEE - 21 OCTOBER 2010**

**8863 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Karanouh and O'Brien that the minutes of the Streets Ahead Committee meeting held 21 October 2010 be received and noted.

**18.0 SALEYARDS MANAGER**

**8864 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Webb and O'Brien that the report by the Saleyards' Manager be received, noting that a more detailed report will be presented to the November meeting.

**19.0 CONTRACT RANGER'S REPORT**

It was noted that no report was available from the Contract Ranger.

**20.0 GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Cr Karanouh:**

- Nil

**Cr Schieb:**

- LHPA – rates will be uniform throughout the district from 1 July 2011.
- Tooraweenah Road – complaints over the past two days.
- Wingadee Road – section past Yarraman Bridge is impassable.

**Cr O'Brien:**

- Nil.

**Cr Webb:**

- Nil.

**Cr Cullen:**

- Nil

**Cr Canham:**

- Nil

**Cr Horan:**

- Raised the possibility of advertise for the carrying out of roadworks as there is the possibility that all works will not be completed.

**8865 RESOLVED** on the motion of Horan and Karanouh that advertisement be placed for contractors to perform roadworks.

- Requested update on when Effie Durham Drive will be sealed and when the McCullough St and Charles Street culvert will be installed.

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**Director of Corporate Services:**

- Nil.

**General Manager:**

- Murray Darling Basin Guidelines – possibility of a reduction up to 19% in this area and significant effort required to overturn this. This may include urban water allocations as the Chairman of the Authority had not discounted the possibility of this occurring.
- OROC AGM elected Cr Doug Batten as Chair; Crs Rex Wilson and Andrew Lewis as Deputy Chairs. Significant progress made in the past year.
- Modernisation of Local Government Forum – not meant to be about amalgamations but needs to be monitored closely to avoid the devastating effects on small communities caused by the 2004 amalgamations.

**CLOSED SESSION**

**8866 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Webb and O'Brien that Council resolve into Closed Session in accordance with Section 10A of the Local Government Act 1993 clauses 2 (c) and (d) which states "*(c) information that would, if disclosed, confer a commercial advantage on a person with whom the council is conducting (or proposes to conduct) business, (d) commercial information of a confidential nature that would, if disclosed:*

**8867 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Webb and O'Brien that the press and public be excluded from the meeting.

**20.1 REPORT BY GENERAL MANAGER – PROPOSED SALE – “The Meglo”**

**20.2 REPORT BY DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICES – CRANE TRUCK TENDER**

**RESUME OPEN MEETING**

**8868 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs Webb and O'Brien that Council resume Open Meeting.

**ADOPTION OF RECOMMENDATION OF CLOSED SESSION**

**8869 RESOLVED** on the motion of Crs. Webb and Schieb that Council adopt the recommendations from Closed Session, as follows:

**THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS** that authority be given to the General Manager to negotiate the sale of around 100 hectares of “the Meglo” on similar basis to other recent sales.

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**THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS** that Council:

- (1) Seek quotations for the disposal of the yard crane, and
- (2) Accept the offer from Brigold Pty Ltd to purchase Council's second hand crane for the tendered price.
- (3) Accept the tender from Mack Trucks Sydney to supply and deliver a new crane truck equipped with the larger option crane for the tendered price.

This concluded the business and the meeting closed at 3.30 p.m.

These Pages (Page 1/4690 to 27/4716) were confirmed on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of **December** 2010 and are a full and accurate record of proceedings of the Ordinary Meeting of Coonamble Shire Council held on 10 November 2010.

MAYOR